CARE GIVING

Did you provide regular care for someone 60 years of age or older during the past month?

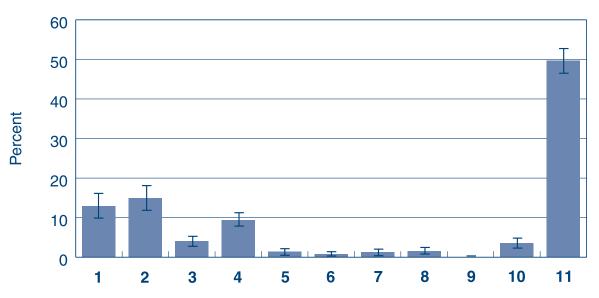
- Seventeen percent of Montana adults indicated that they had provided regular care to someone aged 60 or older in the past month.
- Females (20%) were more likely to respond "yes" than males (13%).
- Adults aged 45 to 64 (>21%) were more likely to indicate that they provided care than younger and older adults (≤16%).
- More adults with annual household incomes of \$75,000 or more (24%) indicated that they had provided care than adults with lower annual household incomes (>18%), though data indicate a great deal of variability within income groups.

Who would you call to arrange care in the home for an elderly family member or friend?

- In 2000, 50% of Montana Adults responded that they did not know whom they would call to arrange for short- or long-term care. Fifteen percent (±2%) indicated that they would provide care themselves, 13% (±2%) would call a relative or friend, and 9% (±1%) would call a home health service.
- Males (57%) were more likely than females (43%) to respond that they did know whom they would call to arrange for care.
- Adults aged 18 to 24 and 64 and older (>57%) were more likely to respond that they did not know whom to call than adults aged 25 to $64 \le 49\%$).
- Adults with less than a high school education (64%) responded more frequently that they did not know whom to call than adults with more education (≤51%).

| | Did you provide care to someone 60 yrs or older in the past month | | | Don't know who to call to arrange care for an elderly friend or relative | | |
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| | Total No. | WT.% | CI | Total No. | WT.% | CI |
| All Adults: | | | | | | |
| 2000 | 3010 | 16.6 | 14.8-18.3 | 3016 | 49.7 | 47.2-52.1 |
| Sex: | | | | | | |
| Male | 1284 | 13.4 | 11.0-15.9 | 1288 | 56.9 | 53.3-60.5 |
| Female | 1726 | 19.5 | 16.9-22.1 | 1728 | 42.8 | 39.5-46.1 |
| Age: | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 228 | 8.6 | 4.4-12.7 | 229 | 58.3 | 49.7-66.9 |
| 25-34 | 418 | 14.7 | 10.2-19.2 | 418 | 49.1 | 43.1-55.2 |
| 35-44 | 678 | 15.7 | 12.1-19.2 | 676 | 44.6 | 39.3-49.9 |
| 45-54 | 645 | 21.0 | 16.6-25.4 | 646 | 45.8 | 40.6-50.9 |
| 55-64 | 416 | 24.9 | 19.1-30.7 | 418 | 45.1 | 38.5-51.6 |
| 55+ | 621 | 14.1 | 10.6-17.7 | 625 | 57.2 | 52.0-62.3 |
| Education: | | | | | | |
| <high school<="" td=""><td>283</td><td>13.3</td><td>8.2-18.3</td><td>285</td><td>64.4</td><td>56.5-72.3</td></high> | 283 | 13.3 | 8.2-18.3 | 285 | 64.4 | 56.5-72.3 |
| High School | 972 | 15.4 | 12.4-18.4 | 977 | 51.9 | 47.6-56.1 |
| Some College | 907 | 18.3 | 14.8-21.7 | 905 | 45.0 | 40.5-49.5 |
| College Degree | 846 | 17.0 | 13.7-20.4 | 847 | 47.8 | 43.3-52.2 |
| Income: | | | | | | |
| <\$15,000 | 287 | 14.1 | 8.5-19.7 | 289 | 48.3 | 39.9-56.7 |
| \$15,000 - \$24,999 | 636 | 14.6 | 11.1-18.0 | 636 | 48.0 | 42.7-53.2 |
| \$25,000 - \$49,999 | 902 | 17.7 | 14.3-21.1 | 901 | 45.6 | 41.1-50.1 |
| 550,000 - \$74,999 | 321 | 13.5 | 9.2-17.8 | 321 | 45.0 | 37.7-52.3 |
| 675,000+ | 200 | 23.7 | 16.0-31.4 | 200 | 41.4 | 32.4-50.3 |
| Race: | | | | | | |
| White, non-Hispanic | 2595 | 16.2 | 14.3-18.0 | 2599 | 50.0 | 47.4-52.6 |
| Non-white or Hispanic | 405 | 18.8 | 12.8-24.9 | 407 | 44.7 | 37.4-52.1 |

Figure 10. Who Would be Called to Arrange Short- or Long-Term Care in the Home for an Elderly Friend or Relative, Montana Adults, 2000.



1 - Relative or friend, 2 - Provide care myself, 3 - Nursing home, 4 - Home health service,
5 - Personal physician, 6 - Area Agency on Aging, 7 - Hospice, 8 - Hospital Nurse,
9 - Minister/Priest/Rabbi, 10 - Other, 11 - Don't know who to call